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1. [REDACTED] Approved For Release 2004/06/14 : CIA-RDP80R01720R000400090001-4
2. DO NOT EXCEED 65 TYPEWRITTEN CHARACTERS PER LINE, INCLUDING SPACES.

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DATE: 4 Jan 73

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TO SAIGON (FOR [REDACTED])

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REF: SAIGON 3073

1. ON EVENING 3 JANUARY I HAD LONG CONVERSATION WITH COLONEL KENNEDY (WHO HAS ASSUMED SOME, THOUGH NOT ALL, OF HAIG'S RESPONSIBILITIES -- HAIG IS BEING SWORN IN TODAY, 4 JAN, AS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF). ON MATTER RAISED REF, SITUATION IS AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

2. APPARENTLY GIST OF MOST (OR ALL, THIS IS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR) OF 4 NOVEMBER CHECKLIST SUGGESTIONS WAS RELAYED TO AMBASSADOR BUNKER IN SOME PRIVACY CHANNEL ON OR ABOUT 6 NOVEMBER. KISSINGER'S OFFICE HAD ASSUMED BULK OF THESE ACTIONS WERE ALREADY IN TRAIN, AS INDEED MANY OF THEM PROBABLY ARE -- SOME (IN FORM ADAPTED TO REALITIES OF LOCAL SITUATION) BY SPONTANEOUS MISSION AND/OR GVN INITIATIVE.

BEYOND THIS POINT, MY GUIDANCE FROM KENNEDY WAS (TO BE COORDINATING OFFICERS

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TO CHARITABLE) OPAQUE. THIS, HOWEVER, IS SYMPTOMATIC ILLUS-
TRATION OF MORE GENERAL PROBLEM WE ARE SIMPLY GOING TO
 HAVE TO LIVE WITH OVER WEEKS AHEAD. FOR REASONS YOU KNOW
AND UNDERSTAND AS WELL AS I, WE ARE NOT GOING TO GET VERY
PRECISE GUIDANCE FROM THAT OFFICE, ESPECIALLY ON POTENTIALLY
DELICATE TOPICS ON WHICH ITS OWN FEELINGS ARE PERFORCE
AMBIVALENT.

3. IN ESSENCE, KENNEDY (WHO INDICATED THAT HE HAD
TOUCHED BASE WITH KISSINGER) SUGGESTED THAT MISSION INITIATE
ANY ACTIONS YOU AND AMBASSADOR THOUGHT APPROPRIATE, CHECK-
ING FOR CLEARANCE ON ANY SPECIFIC MOVES THAT BUNKER FELT
NEEDED CLEARANCE, BUT IN ANY EVENT KEEPING WHITE HOUSE IN-
FORMED OF ACTIONS THAT HAD BEEN INITIATED. (SEE WHAT I MEAN
ABOUT OPAQUE.)

4. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, COURSE OF ACTION ALONG
LINES PROPOSED IN REF PARA 2 SEEKS MOST SENSIBLE WAY TO PROCEED.

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TO YOU WILL KNOW HOW BEST TO RAISE THESE ISSUES WITH BUNKER.

I CERTAINLY HAVE NO OBJECTION IF YOU WANT TO USE TEXT OF
4 NOVEMBER AS POINT OF DEPARTURE -- EXPLAINING THAT IT WAS
COMPENDIUM OF SUGGESTIONS PREPARED PRIVATELY FOR KISSINGER
AT LATTER'S EXPLICIT REQUEST, THAT HE HAS ENDORSED IT IN
PRINCIPLE AND (WE UNDERSTAND) ALREADY RELAYED SOME OF IT

VIA WHITE HOUSE CHANNELS, THAT WE REVIEWED THE LIST DURING
YOUR RECENT VISIT AT WHICH TIME YOU ASKED FOR, AND HAVE NOW
RECEIVED, A PERSONAL COPY.

5. AS WE DISCUSSED, ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE 4 NOVEMBER
MEMO ARE SUGGESTIONS AND CERTAINLY NOT FIATS. WE OBVIOUSLY
HAVE TO LEAVE TO YOUR (AND AMBASSADOR'S) FINAL JUDGMENT WHICH
ONES ARE FEASIBLE AND/OR POTENTIALLY PROFITABLE IN LIGHT OF
THE CURRENT REAL WORLD IN SOUTH VIETNAM. BONNE CHANCE,
WARM REGARDS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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END OF MESSAGE

William E. Nelson, C/FE : COORDINATING OFFICERS

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